1. (ORIGINAL) A compound of the formula:

wherein

ring A represents an aromatic ring optionally having substituents;

B, Y and Ya are the same or different and each represents a bond or a spacer having a main chain of 1 to 6 atoms;

 R^1 and R^2 are the same or different and each represents a hydrogen atom, a hydrocarbon group optionally having substituents or a heterocyclic group optionally having substituents, or R^1 and R^2 , together with the adjacent nitrogen atom, form a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring optionally having substituents, or R^1 is linked with ring A together with the adjacent nitrogen atom and B to form a 5- to 7-membered nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring;

R³ represents a hydrogen atom, a hydrocarbon group optionally having substituents or a heterocyclic group optionally having substituents;

 ${\bf R}^4$ and ${\bf R}^5$ are the same or different and each represents a hydrogen atom or a hydrocarbon group optionally having

substituents, or R^4 and R^5 , together with the adjacent carbon atom, form a ring optionally having substituents; R^6 represents an indolyl group optionally having substituents; and

Z and Za are the same or different and each represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom or a cyclic group optionally having substituents; or a salt thereof.

- 2. (ORIGINAL) A prodrug of the compound according to claim 1 or a salt thereof.
- 3. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, wherein \mathbb{R}^3 is a hydrogen atom or a C_{1-6} alkyl optionally having substituents.
- 4. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, wherein one of R^4 and R^5 is a hydrogen atom, and the other is a C_{1-6} alkyl optionally having substituents.
- 5. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, wherein Z is a cyclic group optionally having substituents.
- 6. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 5, wherein the cyclic group is piperidinyl or piperazinyl.
- 7. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 5, wherein Z is piperidinyl or piperazinyl, each of which is substituted by a

group of the formula: -Yd-Ara wherein Yd represents a bond or a spacer having a main chain of 1 to 6 atoms, and Ara represents a monocyclic group optionally having substituents.

- 8. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, wherein Ya is a bond, and Za is a hydrogen atom.
- 9. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, wherein B is a C_{1-6} alkylene.
- 10. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, wherein the aromatic ring represented by ring A is benzene.
- 11. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, wherein \mathbb{R}^1 and \mathbb{R}^2 are \mathbb{C}_{1-6} alkyl.
- 12. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, wherein Y is -CO-.
- 13. (ORIGINAL) The compound according to claim 1, which is
 N-((1R,2S)-1-(((5-((dimethylamino)methyl)-2 ((methylamino)carbonyl)phenyl)amino)carbonyl)-2-(1H-indol-3yl)propyl)-4-(2-methylphenyl)-1-piperidinecarboxamide;
 N-((1R,2S)-1-(((2-((dimethylamino)carbonyl)-5 ((dimethylamino)methyl)phenyl)amino)carbonyl)-2-(1H-indol-3yl)propyl)-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-piperidinecarboxamide;

N-((1R,2S)-1-(((5-((dimethylamino)methyl)-2-methoxyphenyl)amino)carbonyl)-2-(1H-indol-3-yl)propyl)-4-(4-fluoro-2-methylphenyl)-3-oxo-1-piperazinecarboxamide;

N-((1R,2S)-1-(((5-((dimethylamino)methyl)-2-methoxyphenyl)amino)carbonyl)-2-(1H-indol-3-yl)propyl)-4-(2-methylphenyl)-1-piperazinecarboxamide;

N-((1R,2S)-1-(((5-((dimethylamino)methyl)-2ethoxyphenyl)amino)carbonyl)-2-(1H-indol-3-yl)propyl)-4-(4fluorophenyl)-1-piperazinecarboxamide; or

 $N-((1R,2S)-1-(((5-((dimethylamino)methyl)-2-\\ethoxyphenyl)amino)carbonyl)-2-(1H-indol-3-yl)propyl)-4-phenyl-1-\\piperidinecarboxamide.$

- 14. (ORIGINAL) A pharmaceutical preparation comprising the compound according to claim 1, a salt thereof or a prodrug thereof.
- 15. (ORIGINAL) The pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 14, which is a somatostatin receptor binding inhibitor.
- 16. (ORIGINAL) The pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 15, which is a somatostatin subtype 2 receptor binding inhibitor.
- 17. (ORIGINAL) The pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 14, which is a somatostatin receptor agonist.

- 18. (ORIGINAL) The pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 17, which is a somatostatin subtype 2 receptor agonist.
- 19. (ORIGINAL) The pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 14, which is a prophylactic or therapeutic agent for diabetes or diabetic complications.
- 20. (ORIGINAL) The pharmaceutical preparation according to claim 14, which is a prophylactic or therapeutic agent for obesity.

21. (CANCELED)

22. (ORIGINAL) A method for inhibiting somatostatin receptor binding in a mammal, which comprises administering to the mammal an effective amount of the compound according to claim 1, a salt thereof or a prodrug thereof.

23. (CANCELED)

24. (ORIGINAL) A method for preventing or treating diabetes or diabetic complications in a mammal, which comprises administering to the mammal an effective amount of the compound according to claim 1, a salt thereof or a prodrug thereof.

25. (CANCELED)

- 26. (ORIGINAL) A method for preventing or treating obesity in a mammal, which comprises administering to the mammal an effective amount of the compound according to claim 1, a salt thereof or a prodrug thereof.
- 27. (ORIGINAL) A method for producing a compound of claim 1 or a salt thereof, which comprises reacting a compound of the formula:

$$R^{5}$$
 R^{6}
 N
 Y
 Y

wherein

Y represents a bond or a spacer having a main chain of 1 to 6 atoms;

R⁴ and R⁵ are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom or a hydrocarbon group optionally having substituents, or R⁴ and R⁵, together with the adjacent carbon atom, form a ring optionally having substituents;
R⁶ represents an indolyl group optionally having substituents;
Z represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom or a cyclic group optionally having substituents; or a salt thereof, with a compound of the formula:

$$R^3$$
 A
 B
 R^2

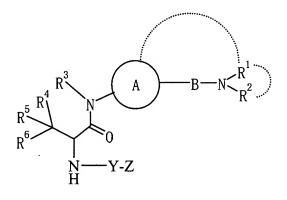
wherein

ring A represents an aromatic ring optionally having substituents;

B represents a bond or a spacer having a main chain of 1 to 6 atoms;

 R^1 and R^2 are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom, a hydrocarbon group optionally having substituents or a heterocyclic group optionally having substituents, or R^1 and R^2 , together with the adjacent nitrogen atom, form a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring optionally having substituents, or R^1 is linked with ring A together with the adjacent nitrogen atom and B to form a 5- to 7-membered nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring;

R³ represents a hydrogen atom, a hydrocarbon group optionally having substituents or a heterocyclic group optionally having substituents; or a salt thereof to give a compound of the formula:



wherein

each symbol is as defined above; or a salt thereof, and optionally reacting the compound or a salt thereof with a compound of the formula: L⁴-Ya-Za wherein L⁴ represents a leaving group; Ya represents a bond or a spacer having a main chain of 1 to 6 atoms; Za represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom or a cyclic group optionally having substituents; or a salt thereof.

28. (ORIGINAL) A compound of the formula:

$$R^{5}$$
 R^{6}
 N
 N
 N
 N
 N

wherein

Y represents a bond or a spacer having a main chain of 1 to 6 atoms;

R⁴ and R⁵ are the same or different, and each represents a hydrogen atom or a hydrocarbon group optionally having substituents, or R⁴ and R⁵, together with the adjacent carbon atom, form a ring optionally having substituents;
R⁶ represents an indolyl group optionally having substituents;
Zb represents piperidinyl or piperazinyl, each of which is substituted by a group of the formula: -Yd-Ara wherein Yd represents a bond or a spacer having a main chain of 1 to 6 atoms, and Ara represents a monocyclic group optionally having substituents; or a salt thereof.